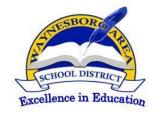


# WASD PreK Counts Program



Waynesboro Area School District is committed to providing education prior to the start of kindergarten. With support from the State of Pennsylvania, WASD participates in a grantfunded program for preschoolers, called PreK Counts.

Children ages 3 through 5 years are eligible to attend one of our <u>FREE</u> preschool classrooms. Thanks to our partnerships with Waynesboro Day Care Center and First Start Partnerships, we are able to provide four possible locations for your child to attend. Mowrey Elementary School, Waynesboro Senior High School, Faith United Methodist Church, and the Waynesboro Day Care Center.

#### Your child receives:

- Education from certified lead and assistant teachers
- Learn through academic and play based learning
- Develop skills needed to socialize with peers
- Gain a new routine and classroom based structure with the day beginning at 8:00 am and ending at 1:30 pm
- Breakfast and lunch are provided

## There is an application process to apply and spaces are limited.

You do not want to miss this opportunity!

# First Start Partnerships

Phone Number: 717-263-8019

**Apply ONLINE at:** https://firststartpartnerships.org/how-to-apply/apply-online/

## **First Start Partnerships locations:**

- Mowrey Elementary School, Waynesboro Senior High School, Faith United Methodist Church
  \* No additional child care provided outside of the 8:00-1:30 preschool time at these
  locations.
- Waynesboro Day Care Center location:
  - \* Additional child care is available, outside of the 8:00-1:30 preschool time, this is the **only fee** you would have outside of the preschool time

## **WASD Pre-K Counts Applying Process**

#### **Information to Know:**

- 1. WASD holds State Funded Grant for Pre-K Counts
- 2. 8 Classrooms located throughout the community
- 3. Up to 17 students per classroom
- 4. 1 Lead Teacher and 1 Teaching Assistant= all certified with degrees
- 5. Students receive **FREE** breakfast and lunch
- 6. Free program (At a 300% poverty rate with income to family ratioallowing MANY more families the ability to qualify).
- 7. Program runs 8:00 am-1:30 pm
- 8. Before and after care provided for a fee at Waynesboro Day Care Center. This is not an option for other First Start Partnerships classroom locations.
- 9. **All** applications are screened for review. If an application is accepted but there are no current spots available, the application is placed on the waiting list and the family will be contacted when an opening occurs.
- 10. Apply at: https://firststartpartnerships.org/how-to-apply/apply-online/

### <u>Classroom Locations with First Start Partnerships:</u>

- 1. Waynesboro Day Care Center
  - \* Has three (3) classrooms.
  - \* They are the ONLY location that has additional before or after care, (this is the only portion that would cost the families)
  - \*MUST apply and state that you need before/after care.
- **2.** Three other locations with First Start Partnerships, NO before or after care included at this time:
  - A. WASD Senior High School
    - \* Has three (3) classrooms
    - \*NO additional before or after care
  - **B. Mowery Elementary School** 
    - \* Has one (1) classrooms
    - \*NO additional before or after care
  - C. Faith United Methodist Church
    - \* Has one (1) classrooms
    - \*NO additional before or after care

## For additional and support, contact:

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